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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with PFIAB Members, 8 September 1983

1. At 1400 hours, 8 September 1983, Miss Eloise Page, accompanied by [redacted] and I met for approximately one hour and forty minutes with members of the PFIAB studying the management structure of the NRO. [redacted]

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2. PFIAB members present were:

Chairman: John Foster

Members: Ambassador Weiss
Dr. WheelonConsultants: Dr. Rectin
Dr. Flax
General Allen
Dr. Johnson

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3. After introductory remarks by Miss Page, [redacted] briefed on the role of COMIREX in the development and management of imagery requirements, including the requirements for future imaging systems. [redacted] followed with a description of the role of the SIGINT Committee. I followed with a description of the program and budget process. [redacted]

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4. Questioning during and following the briefing concentrated on: [redacted]

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- How does the Community generate requirements which would produce high technology solutions? Is the NRO stretching the available technology?
- How good are our collection systems for such functions as treaty monitoring?
- How does the military get its requirements into the system?
- How does the program qualify for DRSP funding and why?
- How does the Community ensure that its consumers are satisfied?

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25X1 5. All questions seemed to be satisfactorily answered. Only indication of the direction the panel would go was from Dr. Rectin, who, in a closing statement, said he had not heard anything to suggest a need to change the NRO,

[redacted] He suggested the panel focus on that aspect of the problem. Dr. Foster noted that there were several opinions among panel members on this question. Dr. Foster and the other members expressed appreciation as we departed. [redacted]

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Director, Program and Budget Staff

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